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C O N F I D E N T I A L DAMASCUS 3210

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, SY, LE

SUBJECT: WALID JUMBLATT'S VISIT TO DAMASCUS

1. HAD OPPORTUNITY MAY 20 TO DISCUSS JUMBLATT'S VISIT WITH BOTH SYRIAN COS SHIHABI AND DEPDEFMIN NAJI JAMIL. THEIR REACTIONS TO WALID WERE VERY SIMILAR: HE IS AS YET "UNRIPE" POLITICALLY AND NOT THE LEADER HIS FATHER WAS. IN CONTEXT, BOTH OBSERVATIONS WERE INTENDED AS COMPLIMENTS.

2. SHIHABI AND JAMIL SEPARATELY AFFIRMED THAT JUMBLATT WAS PARTICULAR TARGET OF EFFORTS BY THE LEBANESE COMMUNISTS WHO HOPED TO MANIPULATE HIM TO REGAIN GROUND THE PARTY HAD LOST SINCE LAST FALL'S CEASEFIRE. SHIHABI ADDED THAT THE IRAQIS WERE ALSO WORKING HARD TO CONVERT WALID. THIS COMBINATION OF PRESSURES, SHIHABI SAID, HAD STIMULATED THE SYRIAN INVITATION TO JUMBLATT TO VISIT DAMASCUS FOR A FULL PROGRAM OF VISITS, INCLUDING AN EXTENDED INTERVIEW WITH ASSAD.

3. WE NOTE JUMBLATT RETURNED TO BEIRUT THE EVENING OF MAY 20 MAKING VERY PLEASANT NOISES ABOUT SYRIAN LEADERSHIP.

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